

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re PATENT application of

Shinji MAEKAWA, et al.

) Confirmation No. 6581

Application No. 10/573,155

) Group Art Unit: 2895

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) Examiner: Thien F. Tran

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD  
FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

**Mailstop: Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Request for Election/Restriction Response mailed December 19, 2008, Applicants respond as follows: